

Trauma-Informed Responses to Sexual Assault

Friday, February 22, 2019 from 9:00am - 5:00pm at Mountainbrook Church

Join nationally recognized trainers Sgt. Liz Donegan and Dr. Kim Lonsway as they share best practices for sexual assault responses and investigations

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This training is designed for multidisciplinary professionals who are involved in responding to sexual assault, including:

- ◆ Law Enforcement
- ◆ Prosecutors
- ◆ Forensic Examiners, Other Health Care Providers
- ◆ Victim Advocates, Social Workers
- ◆ Counselors, Mental Health Professionals
- ◆ Probation and Parole Officers
- ◆ Judges
- ◆ Title IX Investigators
- ◆ University Staff

ARE CEUs AVAILABLE?

Course approval is currently being obtained from California POST for law enforcement professionals to earn CEUs.

Members of the State Bar of California will receive 6 hours of Mandatory Continuing Education (MCLE) credit from the San Luis Obispo County District Attorney's Office, which is a State Bar of California MCLE approved provider.

Nurses can earn 6.25 continuing education (CE) contact hours from End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI) for a \$25 fee. Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #15641. No refunds.

TRAINING SESSIONS INCLUDE:

Neurobiology of Trauma and Effective Victim Interviews

Opening Doors: Increasing Access for Sexual Assault Victims to the Criminal Justice System and Community Services

Investigating Difficult Cases: Practical Application

WHAT DOES IT COST?

Your registration fee of \$25 will cover a full-day of training with nationally recognized experts and a lunch provided on-site.

Nurses who want to obtain CE contact hours from the California Board of Registered Nursing will be charged an additional \$25.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Megan Stuart at Cal Poly (mkstuart@calpoly.edu)
Rebecca Castillo at Victim-Witness (rcastillo@co.slo.ca.us)

HOW DO I REGISTER?

Registration information will be announced in the upcoming weeks and available on the RISE website at www.riseslo.org

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RISE Mountainbrook Church SLO PD French Hospital

WHERE WILL IT TAKE PLACE?

Mountainbrook Church
1775 Calle Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405



SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Dignity Health.
French Hospital Medical Center



COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
HEALTH AGENCY
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT



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Sergeant Elizabeth Donegan (Ret) is a 26-year veteran of the Austin Police Department (APD). For over nine years she led the APD Sex Crimes Unit, widely recognized for its progressive approach toward investigating sexual assault, providing better service to victims, and changing the culture surrounding the investigation of non-stranger sexual assault. Sgt. Donegan is Co-Chair of the Austin/Travis County Sexual Assault Response Resource Team (SARRT). The APD Sex Crimes Unit was recognized for its progressive approach by Human Rights Watch in their 2013 report, *Improving Police Response to Sexual Assault*.

Sgt. Donegan served as an expert testifying for the U.S. military's Response Systems Panel, a federal advisory committee which conducted an independent review and assessment of the systems used to investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate crimes involving adult sexual assault and related offenses under military law. She has also trained and presented at a number of training events and conferences hosted by the U.S. Department of Defense, including the U.S. Army Summit, programs at Ft. Hood and Ft. Sam Houston, and Ft Leonard Wood. She is a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Sgt. Donegan serves as a subject matter expert for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) on projects related to sexual assault response and investigation, including the National Law Enforcement Leadership Initiative on Violence Against Women and the roll-call training series *How to Bring Sexual Assault Offenders to Justice: A Law Enforcement Response*. She is a published author and frequent presenter at conferences and seminars. She has won numerous awards for her work, including the first Professional Impact Award given by End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI) in 2011.



Dr. Kim Lonsway is a Founding Board Member and current Research Director for End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI), America's leading nonprofit organization dedicated to improving criminal justice responses to sexual assault. Since its inception in 2003, EVAWI has received more than \$7.5 million in public and private funding, and provided training and technical assistance to tens of thousands of professionals. In 2017 alone, 4,500 professionals registered for the OnLine Training Institute (OLTI), completing 8,000 modules and racking up 1.6 million hours of training.

Before EVAWI, Dr. Lonsway served as the Director of Research for the National Center for Women & Policing and the Director of Research and Training for Penny Harrington & Associates. She also taught psychology at California Polytechnic State University.

Dr. Lonsway earned her Ph.D. in the Department of Psychology at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and then served for two years as a post-doctoral research fellow at the interdisciplinary American Bar Foundation in Chicago, Illinois. Her research has always focused on sexual violence and the criminal justice and community response system, and she volunteered for over 15 years as a victim advocate for rape crisis centers in two different communities. In 2012, she was awarded the first-ever Volunteer of the Decade Award from the Sexual Assault Recovery and Prevention (SARP) Center in San Luis Obispo, CA – an award specifically created to recognize Lonsway's years of service and dedication to this local rape crisis center.



Dr. Lonsway co-authored a book with Chief Penny Harrington entitled: *Investigating Sexual Harassment in Law Enforcement and Nontraditional Fields for Women* (Prentice Hall). She has also written over 60 published articles, book chapters, technical reports, government reports, and commissioned documents – in addition to numerous training modules, bulletins, and other resources.

Over her career, Dr. Lonsway has trained thousands of professionals across the country and around the world, testified as an expert witness in both criminal and civil court cases, and responded to countless inquiries from survivors, practitioners, researchers, educators, policymakers, and the media on topics associated with sexual assault victimization and the criminal justice and community response system.